MINUTES OF THE ELECTRICAL DEREGULATION AND CUSTOMER CHOICE TASK FORCE

Friday, January 5, 2001 - 12:30 p.m. - 416 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Leonard M. Blackham,

Senate Chair

Rep. Tom Hatch,

House Chair

Sen. Lorin V. Jones

Sen. Eddie "Ed" P. Mayne

Sen. Millie M. Peterson

Sen. Michael G. Waddoups

Rep. Sheryl L. Allen

Rep. Judy Ann Buffmire

Rep. Kevin S. Garn

Rep. David Ure

Members Excused:

Rep. Ralph Becker

Rep. Jack A. Seitz

Staff Present:

Mr. Brian Allred,

Research Analyst

Ms. Patricia Owen,

Associate General Counsel

Ms. Jennifer Markham.

Legislative Secretary

Note: A list of others present and a copy of materials distributed in the meeting are on file in the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel.

1. Task Force Business

Chair Hatch called the meeting to order at 12:40 p.m.

MOTION: Sen. Peterson moved to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2000 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Ure absent for the vote.

2. Discussion of issues to be addressed in the Energy Supply Forum

Ms. Patricia Owen, Associate General Counsel, provided an overview of the Energy Supply Forum. Ms. Owen distributed the agenda and background material to the task force members.

Sen. Blackham discussed the impact of the current energy situation. He emphasized that more generation capacity was needed. He discussed the need for incentives for the business community to develop plans as to how to create new generation. He suggested considering legislative action to ensure that additional generation capacity is developed as soon as possible and indicated that partnerships need to be encouraged.

Task force discussion followed.

Motion: Rep. Garn moved that legislation be prepared under the direction of the chairs to change the name and broaden the scope of the task force to reflect an emphasis on energy issues in general, conservation practices, and creation of new electric power generation. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Ure absent for the vote.

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3. Adjourn

MOTION: Rep Buffmire moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:10 pm. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Ure absent for the vote.